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Don't forget Bingo Feb. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Poxon are spending a short holiday at Kelowna, B.C. with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Karl Schacher suffered a stroke on Friday night. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Winners of the Cribbage Tournament held on Wed. evening were:

- MEN'S**
 1. Dick Gimbel.
 2. Orval Hart.
 Booby. Dick Garrett.
LADIES
 1. Sybil Poxon.
 2. Phyllis Bramley.
 Booby. Lily Fox.

Mrs. Maplettoff of Fort Pitt, Sask. was a recent visitor at the home of her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. E. Maxwell.

Hesketh formed a new F.U. A. Local on Tuesday. Officers elected were as follows:
 President.....Emilio Grenier
 Vice-President.....Len Andrews
 Sec.-Treas.....Gilbert Berdahl
 Directors—Reg. Steward, Jim Edwards, Jack Brown, Harry Church, Carl Ziegler.

Mrs. Carlson of Vernon, B. C. is spending a few weeks at the home of her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Walter Permann.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Flaws and boys of Swift Current spent a few days at the home of their father Jim Flaws.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jerome and children were down for the weekend from Red Deer at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Graham.

Dorn Wilson has been transferred to the U.G.G. elevator at Wimborne and is being replaced by Richard Harsch.

CHRIST CHURCH, CARBON

Following are services scheduled at Christ Church, Carbon including mid-week Lenten services:
 Ash Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. Service of Litany and Communion with Rev. W. R. Muller preaching.
 Other mid-week Lenten services at Carbon will be Tuesdays, Feb. 17, 24th, March 3, 10, 17. Service Sunday Feb. 15th Morning Prayer at 11:30 a.m. Service Good Friday March 27 will be in Christ Church at 2:00

GAMBLE NEWS

Art Sigmund has returned home after being rushed to the Drumheller Hospital early Wednesday morning.

Members of the Gamble Community are giving the old Gamble School a face lifting job this week. Everyone is turning up with their paint brushes and scrub pails.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Ryan and family of Calgary were Sunday visitors at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund.

The Gamble Ladies' Aid met in the Church basement on Thursday Feb. 5th, the hostess being Mrs. John Gordon.

Word was received on Sun. by Art Sigmund that his uncle John Schuler of Washburn, N. D. passed away.

Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kinley and family of Lacombe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mcintosh were Sunday dinner guests at

the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Fuller of Three Hills.

NATIONAL ELECTRICAL WEEK FEBRUARY 8 to 14th

This week we are paying tribute to one of the major forces behind Canada's present development—electricity. The second week in February was chosen as National Electrical Week for good reasons. It is the birthday anniversary of Thomas Alva Edison, who typifies electrical pioneers throughout the world—men who laid the foundation for our present great electrical industry.

The electrical industry is the most diversified of all industries. It has been a direct influence on all phases of economy—industry, commerce, agriculture, science, the arts, and to our entire way of life.

The utility industry has tripled its generating capacity since 1940 and the number of power consumers has increased to about 4 million, almost the same as the total number of householders in Canada. Use of electric power by manufacturing industries has quadrupled during the same period.

The electrical manufacturing industry employed 81,200 persons in 1957 with an annual payroll of more than \$321 million. Disregarding construction workers employed on expansion programs, electric utilities accounted for the jobs of 37,817 employees whose wages and salaries amounted to over 153 million dollars.

Add to these the electrical contractors, wholesalers, retailers, service and repair shop personnel, and workers involved in construction of new facilities. It is readily seen the contribution made by electricity to employment in Canada.

The use of electrical equipment has led to the conversion of this country from an agricultural to a major industrial power in less than a decade.

REPORT FROM OTTAWA

By Eldon Woolliams, M.P.

This is my first report in your newspaper this session.

In reference to the Government Agricultural Program the Speech From The Throne set out two major pieces of legislation.

Firstly, there was a plan sug-

gested to institute a system of crop insurance. To make such a program effective and to become law enabling provincial legislation is necessary. Therefore, there must be an agreement in reference to this plan between the provinces of Canada and the Federal Government. This was done recently to put into effect Canada's new National Health Plan.

Secondly, a revised Farm Loan Act is promised. This is long overdue. What this legislation will contain has not been known to Parliament.

If any readers of this letter have any suggestions to make as to what you feel this new legislation should contain, please contact me here in Ottawa.

There have been many ques-

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THREE HILLS SCHOOL DIVISION 60

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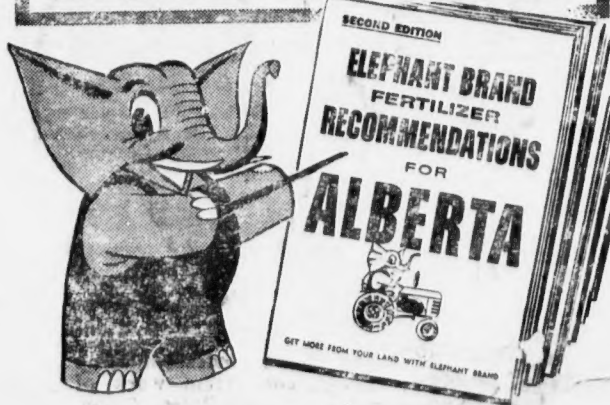
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Sub-Div. No.	PLACE	DATE	TIME
1	Swalwell Gymnasium	Mon. Feb. 9, 1959	2 p.m.
2	Carbon Gymnasium	Tues. Feb. 10, 1959	2 p.m.
3	Trochu Gymnasium	Wed. Feb. 11, 1959	2 p.m.
4	Huxley Community Hall	Fri. Feb. 13, 1959	2 p.m.
5	Torrington Auditorium	Thurs. Feb. 12, 1959	2 pm
6	Trochu Gymnasium	Wed. Feb. 11, 1959	2 p.m.

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Poultry benefit from ventilation

Prof. F. H. Theakston, Department of Engineering Science, Ontario Agricultural College stated that ventilation is necessary in poultry houses to provide a suitable environment for the birds so that maximum production may be realized. This can be achieved by controlling temperature and humidity conditions with minimum effort and low cost to the farmer.

If the ventilation is properly designed and installed, it will (1) Keep the litter dry; (2) prevent moisture and frost from collecting on the walls and ceiling; (3) prevent sudden temperature changes; (4) eliminate drafts; (5) provide maximum air movement in warm weather to reduce the possibility of heat prostration; (6) remove ammonia fumes; (7) reduce corrosion and deterioration of the building and equipment; (8) aid in the production of clean eggs; and (9) remove dust.

The optimum temperature range for maximum egg production is 45 degrees Fahrenheit to 65 degrees Fahrenheit. For economy reasons, it is not always possible to maintain these temperatures, but temperatures of below 35 degrees and above 75 degrees should be avoided. Since poultry will not adjust themselves to sudden temperature changes, controlled ventilation with sufficient insulation in the building should be provided to ensure maximum protection for the birds.

HIGH HEELS

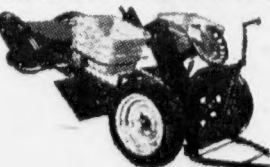
High heels are a factor in some accidents. The slim high heels worn by a car driver may slip off brakes or accelerator. It may also catch in cracks in the sidewalk or gratings in a floor, resulting in a bad fall. It is much more sensible to wear heels that give adequate support to the body's weight and are wide enough to provide a foundation for those who must stand or walk at their work.

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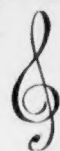
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Musically Yours

By BUD HAFSTEINN

THE BANDSMAN

Realizing that there are countless young people and many older ones who have a great interest in bands and that band training is a very important part of our general music education, CFQC, a few weeks ago began a program called "The Bandsman."

This program, which is on from two till two-thirty on Sundays and handled by our very capable Glen Cole, is designed to give people an opportunity to hear band music at its finest and we most strongly urge bandmasters to have their bands listen to this program for several reasons. The first reason is that many of the youngsters entering bands as beginners have never heard a band play and consequently have little understanding of what their bandmaster is trying to get them to do. The second reason is that it is our hope that this will become the news centre of band activity within the range of our station and even beyond. It is interesting and helpful to exchange news of band development and its problems such as the perennial one of raising funds for instruments, music and uniforms.

And yet another reason is this: that even where regular instructors are available (and this is not generally the case), there are questions regarding instruments and performance difficulties that we are in a position to answer expertly. So please do not hesitate to write to "The Bandsman" giving news of your band or for our help with your band problems.

It is our intention to provide the opportunity for bands in the Province to hear each other. So far we have broadcast selections played by the Saskatoon Lions Band and an entire half hour program by the R.C.A.F. Reserve Band of Saskatoon. The Lions Band is directed by M. Kalmakoff and the Air Force Band by J. Schoen.

We would like all band committees to know that should your band be coming to the city that we would be most happy to give them an opportunity to be heard on the air.

We believe that being heard on the air provides an incentive not only to the performer but also to the ones who would emulate him. Therefore, in order to carry out our policy of aiding and stimulating musical effort wherever possible we will attempt to locate and broadcast as much Saskatchewan talent, as can be reached. It will, of course, be necessary to audition and screen this talent because to broadcast the efforts of those who have neither training or talent (as in the case of some of the hit parade) serves no good purpose, but generally speaking we hope to give encouragement and publicity to all worthwhile musical endeavor that comes to our attention.

I might add that we do not restrict this to any particular type of music nor will it concern us in the least whether it's vocal or instrumental or whether it is a solo, duet, or performed by a group.

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1/4 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. salt

Cream

1/4 c. shortening

Gradually blend in

1/2 c. lightly-packed brown sugar

1/4 c. fine granulated sugar

Add, one at a time, beating well after each addition

2 eggs

Combine

1/2 c. milk

1/2 tsp. vanilla

Sift dry ingredients into

creamed mixture alternately

with milk, combining after each

addition. Carefully spread

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cattle were shipped to Venezuela where they will be used as breeding stock. Above, cattle graze on the rich banks of the St. John river near Fredericton.

National Film Board of Canada Photos by Chris Lund.



E. P. Jarvis (left) secretary of the N.B. Holstein Assoc. and district agricultural representative J. A. Galloway (right) discuss future plans with dairy farmer Doug Neill under the watchful eye of *Devon Rag Apple Mary*, Grand Champion of the 1958 N.B. Provincial Show.



While Holstein calf gets her neck scrubbed by Joyce Wilkins, sister Sharon consoles the apprehensive animal. Dairy products add \$6 million annually to province's economy; dairymen anticipate export of purebred cattle will boost figure considerably.

Instructor training courses, 1959

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GIGANTIC JIG-SAW—Assembling the pieces for a mosaic mural is something like putting a jig-saw together. Here, a helper of artist Joseph Illu, assembles part of the 9'x20' mural which will decorate a wall in the main elevator lobby of the new addition to Toronto's Royal York hotel. Working in Illu's Montreal studio,

his helper pastes pieces of the mosaic upside down on small numbered squares of paper in accordance with artist's sketch (centre right). Later these squares will be transported to the Royal York and glued to wall with special new adhesive, so that when paper is soaked off, the finished mural will be displayed.



KITCHEN CONFERENCE—Mrs. J. G. Diefenbaker samples a dish in the kitchen of the prime minister's official residence at 24 Sussex Street in Ottawa. The cook, Mrs. Alice Saumure, looks on. The household staff plan and prepare most of the meals but

Mrs. Diefenbaker always checks the menu. This photo was taken just before the Diefenbakers left on their recent world tour. Since then Mrs. Saumure has left the household staff.

By ALAN DONNELLY
Canadian Press Staff Writer

One of Canada's busiest and most important women describes her job as "just being on hand when needed."

For Olive Evangeline Diefenbaker being "on hand" has meant going through two general election campaigns, three transatlantic flights, numerous plane hops across Canada and now a world air tour.

All this in less than two years. Between trips the wife of John Diefenbaker is the smiling hostess of 24 Sussex Street, official Ottawa home of Canadian prime ministers, where she has had the Queen and President Eisenhower as guests.

Had important role

Many keen political observers give her a big share of credit for the Progressive Conservative victory in the election and friends say she has been of immense moral support to her husband as head of the government.

John, a widower, and Olive, a widow, were married December 8, 1953, in Toronto. They had known each other years earlier in Saskatoon, meeting there just after the First World War in the church of her father, a Baptist minister.

"We were good friends—family friends," she says.

Life was fairly simple for the lawyer-politician and his bride until two years ago when Mr. Diefenbaker became Progressive Conservative leader. On that day, December 14, 1956, Olive Diefenbaker stood before the cheering convention delegates and promised simply:

"I will do everything in my power to help him."

Two high-pressure election campaigns followed less than a year apart. Keeping her promise meant something like riding the nose cone of a rocket.

As the first prime minister's wife since Lady Laurier to play a public part in her husband's affairs, she has been Mr. Diefenbaker's constant companion. Sometimes that has even meant moving about on crutches.

As chatelaine of the prime minister's three-storey grey stone home on the Ottawa River, she shuns personal publicity and she does not intrude herself into political issues or debates.

Many afternoons are taken up with social events from teas to affairs for charity. Often her acceptance of an engagement is with the proviso that she will call it off if her husband needs her elsewhere. Before the current world tour she cancelled 15.

She says she has set this rule: "His needs come first and I try to fit my plans into his schedule."

In public eye

This means accepting the glare and scrutiny of public life.

"I think I accept public scrutiny

Prime minister's wife shields excitement with calm exterior

reasonably well," she says. "In general, the public are very kind and generous and so it's not too hard to take."

She regards herself as being shy, but says she learned long ago "that the other person is likely to be shy, too."

Through it all she has kept her sense of enthusiasm and excitement hidden behind a calm, unhurried exterior.

A newspaper man told her that a young reporter accompanying the prime minister's party around the world was practically helpless with excitement.

"Confidentially, so are we," said Mrs. Diefenbaker.

Lobster story

The busy official life of the Diefenbakers has not affected their sense of humor. At an election campaign luncheon in the Maritimes, local Conservative women proudly served a lobster salad.

John enjoyed it immensely. Olive, who can't eat lobster, hid hers under the lettuce.

Impishly, John, who noticed, suggested loudly, "Have some more lobster, dear."

She managed to avoid a second portion. Later she said with a grin "I could have killed him!"

There is not much time for relaxation. Inevitably, because the prime minister's job is an around-the-clock one, the activities of office can't be excluded entirely from their home.

As Mrs. Diefenbaker says "We live in an atmosphere that is almost totally his job."

Talk things over

The prime minister isn't the type to unload office problems on his wife but they "talk about things he does—because that's our life."

When they can have a quiet evening at home, the Diefenbakers spend it in their cozy apartment on the second floor of the official residence chatting about their day's activities or watching television, or John with his books and Olive with her knitting.

In such a well-staffed house there is little Mrs. Diefenbaker can do for the prime minister except be his attentive companion. There are a steward, a cook, three maids, a seamstress, a laundress, two extramural cleaning women sent in by the works department, and a chauffeur.

The laundress is an innovation brought about by Mrs. Diefenbaker shortly after she moved in. Previously, all laundry was sent out of 24 Sussex Street. Now the residence has modern washing equipment and all laundry except shirts is done there.

Mrs. Diefenbaker doesn't get

much chance to cook, though she enjoys cooking. The staff plans most of the meals, checking the menu with her. The prime minister is an easy man to cook for.

"He likes almost anything," she says. "He has an enormous breakfast. After that it's catch as catch can."

Last summer she frequently cooked meals on weekend fishing excursions to their Harrington Lake cottage in the Gatineau Hills. Sometimes in Ottawa she gets late-evening snacks—usually cold cereal and milk—after the staff is finished work.

She loves gardening and had a plot of land dug up for her at Harrington Lake last spring. This fall vegetables from the garden and crabapples from the grounds at 24 Sussex Street were made into relishes and jelly by the staff, using Mrs. Diefenbaker's recipes. They are used to give a home flavor when guests come to dinner.

The Diefenbakers are a devoted couple, quite unconcerned about showing affection in public. On campaign travels he was more than once seen sleeping with his head on her shoulder.

Walks with hubby

When the weather is favorable Mrs. Diefenbaker often walks with her husband part way to his office. When heavily travelled streets are reached, the chauffeur picks them up, drives the prime minister to Parliament Hill and returns Mrs. Diefenbaker home. The trip is repeated in the evening, in reverse.

During the day they have frequent telephone conversations on a special line through the East Block switchboard. Sometimes the prime minister gets home for lunch. More often he has it in his office.

The office lunches, prepared by the household staff, are delivered by the chauffeur in a specially-made wooden box almost as large as a suitcase with separate compartments for food and dishes, silverware and two thermos bottles.

Alone at home in the morning, Mrs. Diefenbaker may load recordings on her record player—"my great joy in life"—and tackle her correspondence. She receives up to 40 letters a day and answers them in longhand.

Deserve reply

Many are from people who write something like—"We are thinking about you and praying for you." Such communications, she says, deserve a personal reply.

In the more leisurely first three years of their marriage, Olive often drove John on various outings

around Prince Albert, Sask., where they still maintain a home. Occasionally she drove him duck hunting but stayed in the car to knit while he roamed the marshes.

Since they have had a chauffeur she has let her driving permit lapse. She hopes to get a new one soon.

In recent years Mrs. Diefenbaker has had to give more attention to clothes than before.

"I try to be practical but I do need a lot," she says. She can get ready-made dresses to fit and likes to buy that way to see what she's getting, but she also uses a dressmaker for more elaborate costumes.

Favors wide brims

Wide-brimmed hats were her favorites but she wears few now.

"We are travelling so much and large hats are so hard to pack."

She has easily adjusted herself to the exciting and active life of a prime minister's wife. She quickly made all of John's friends hers, is on a first-name basis with many people, gets to know wives and their children and keeps informed about them.

Mrs. Diefenbaker has a warm feeling for others, whether friends or strangers. In London she was assigned a car with a girl chauffeur. On one trip their car brushed the fender of another.

The chauffeur was almost in tears from embarrassment. Impulsively, Mrs. Diefenbaker unpinned a valuable maple leaf brooch she was wearing and gave it to the girl—"Just to make you feel better."

Olive Diefenbaker was born in Roland, Man., about 56 years ago after her father, Rev. C. R. Freeman, moved there from Nova Scotia. Later the family lived in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and Saskatoon.

Her first husband, Toronto barrister Harry F. Palmer, died in 1935, two years after their marriage, leaving a baby daughter, Carolyn. The daughter is married to Don Weir, teaching children of the Canadian brigade at Soest, West Germany, and it is to their 18-month-old son John that Mrs. Diefenbaker's hand-knit socks are directed.

After the death of her husband Mrs. Diefenbaker taught high school for 10 years in Arthur and Owen Sound, Ontario. In 1945 she joined the Ontario education department as assistant director of guidance.

She was in that post in 1953 when John Diefenbaker, whose first wife, the former Edna Browler, died childless in 1951 after 22 years of marriage, asked her to marry him.

Children are a great deal more apt to follow your lead than the way you point.

Parkland barley shows consistency

Parkland barley proved its yield superiority over other varieties in comparisons made at Manitoba Illustration Stations for the four years 1955-58.

The superiority was evident in seasons when diseases were prevalent and was due to greater resistance to a fungus organism which causes root rot and leaf spotting diseases.

W. H. Johnston, senior agronomist for cereals at the Brandon Man., Experimental Farm, said Parkland stood out among six varieties whose yields in the disease-ridden first three years of the test were compared with the exceptionally bountiful harvest of 1958, when there was very little disease in the barley fields.

Figures showed that Husky and Trail varieties yielded 40 per cent more in 1958 than the average of the previous three years, thus showing their susceptibility to disease; Parkland increased only 15 per cent in 1958. Other varieties tested were Montcalm, Vantmore and Swan which gained 33, 24 and 18 per cent respectively in the same comparison. The trends held when data from the Western Co-operative Barley Test grown at Manitoba points were used.

Mr. Johnston said absence of leaf diseases and root rot combined with cool growing weather and a reservoir of sub-soil moisture to produce a favorable barley crop in 1958 despite low rainfall. Test weights at the Brandon Station were among the highest ever recorded.

He concludes that yields of varieties like Parkland are less affected by disease than Husky which is why Husky has not been widely accepted by Manitoba barley growers.

KEEPING JUNIOR AMUSED

A convalescent child especially if he is a normally active little character, can be difficult as his health improves and he wants to be up and around. If he doesn't care for quiet little occupations such as cutting out pictures or coloring them, try letting him sort nails for dad, putting them into small containers; or doing such grownup jobs, if he is old enough.

Fashion flash PRINTED PATTERN



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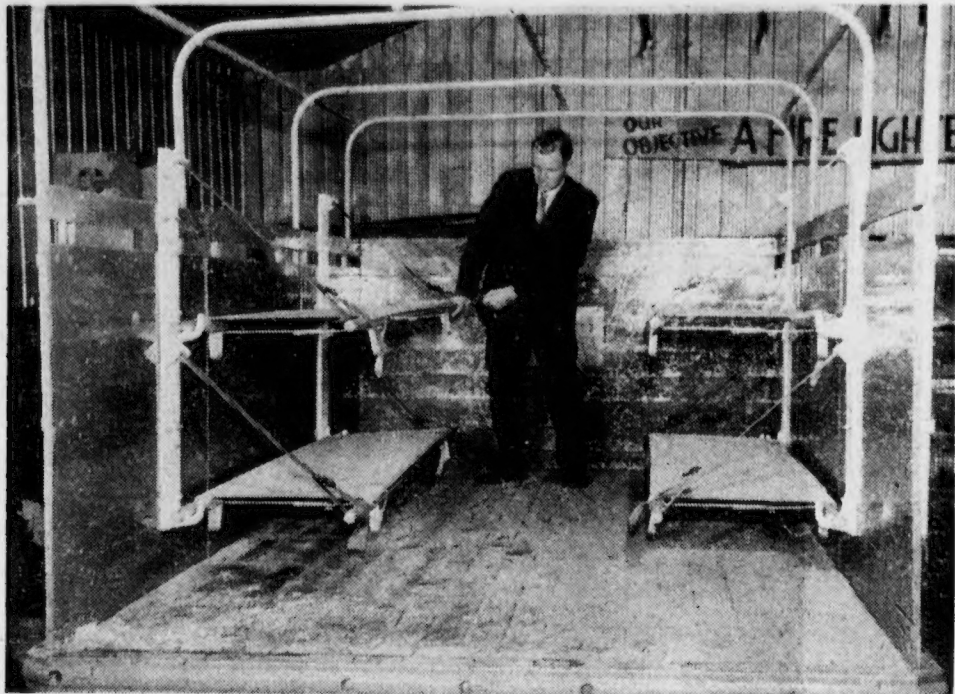
"On-the-go" dress—casually perfect for all your appointments! It's plumb-line slim in front, gathered in back beneath the curving yoke and small collar. Easy-sew style!

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MR. L. MOXHAM, Deputy Co-ordinator of Provincial Civil Defence, checks straps on stretcher hanger.

Presto — It's an ambulance!

By HELEN A. MARTENSON,
Director of Public Relations and
Publicity for Sask. Civil Defence
Headquarters

Necessity is the mother of invention they say—and since it was necessary to provide transportation for patients in possible disaster—Civil Defence experts had to seek ways of transporting patients under such circumstances. In any emergency, there has always been a lack of ambulances. And, under ordinary circumstances there is no need for a large number of ambulances. Three such vehicles take care of the requirements in Regina, a city of almost 100,000 inhabitants.

What then is the solution to a problem which would arise only if and when there is a disaster? Heads of transportation have long been concerned about this problem, and urged Civil Defence experts to take it under consideration. The result which was perfected and tried out satisfactorily, is the means to convert trucks into ambulances in 15 minutes.

Turnabout story PRINTED PATTERN



by Anne Adams

A flow of flattery—all fullness drawn to the back for turnabout interest. Sew-easy Printed Pattern—just TWO main pattern parts. Have low-necked version in elegant crepe for evening, high-neck in cotton for day.

Printed Pattern 4713: Misses' Sizes 10, 12, 14, 16, 18. Size 16 takes 4½ yards 39-inch fabric. Printed directions on each pattern part. Easier, accurate.

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And, it's not so difficult as it might seem.

It has been found that when truck bodies are pre-drilled to take wing bolts, then fittings which hold stretchers can be installed in a few minutes. In the testing period, patients were carried at 50 miles an hour over rough roads, and were carried in comfort. Heads of railways, bus companies, trucking companies, large departmental stores have agreed to have their truck bodies pre-drilled to be ready for these fittings so they can be used in civil defence if required. In fact, the companies who make truck bodies have agreed also to pre-drill truck bodies at the factory from now on. Fittings are being purchased and will be stock-piled in hospitals all over the country to be available when needed. In addition, Saskatchewan Civil Defence Headquarters will soon have these stretchers and fittings at their First Aid posts in various parts of the province.

Civil Defence again rings the bell on a real necessity for disaster of any type—the means to convert a truck into an ambulance in a quarter of an hour.

TORONTO HAS YOUNGEST AND OLDEST GOALIES

Toronto Maple Leafs have both the youngest and oldest goalkeepers in the National Hockey League on their roster. The youngest goalie in the League is Ed Chadwick at 25, while the veteran Johnny Bower is the oldest at 33. Chadwick and Bower are roommates on the Toronto road trips.

A golfer is one who yells "fore," takes six, and puts down five.

Quick Canadian Quiz

1. In what year was the international agreement signed that created the "undefended border" between Canada and the United States?
2. Wheat was first grown in the Canadian west in what year?
3. Immigration in the first half of 1957 totalled 182,416. What was the total for the first half of 1958?
4. Of foreign commodities sold in Canada, what proportion comes from the U.S.?
5. Of Canada's 4,055,000 dwellings, what proportion are owner occupied?

ANSWERS: 5. About 68 percent of Canadian homes are owner-occupied. 3. In the first half of 1958 immigration totalled only 67,744. 1. In 1817, the Rush-Bagot agreement. 4. In 1957, 71 percent. 2. In 1754 wheat was grown in the valley of the Carrot River, Sask., by French explorer Chevalier de la Corne.

(Material prepared by the editors of Quick Canadian Facts, the pocket annual of facts about Canada)

Why the headache?

A persistent headache usually has a basic cause. Continuing to take pain killers or headache pills will not remove the cause. It is wise to have medical attention for any headache which continues more than a day or so, so that the doctor may diagnose and treat the condition of which the headache is a symptom. An examination of the eyes should be included, so that treatment or glasses may be prescribed if the eyes are the cause of the headaches.



ARCTIC TRAINING—Members of the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, braved 35-mile-an-hour winds and temperatures of 30 degrees below zero during four days of living on the barren tundra north of Fort Churchill, Man., as part of Arctic training. Here, two members of the unit seek shelter beside an oversnow vehicle before starting out on a patrol. They are L/Cpl. Beverly Bailey, left, of 155 8th St. N.W., Portage la Prairie and Cpl. Donald Pelletier of 327 Smith St., Regina.

—Canadian Army photo.

Editorials

from
Canadian Weekly Newspapers

(These are not necessarily the views of the editor of this paper)

Easter Island and Kindersley

(The Clarion, Kindersley, Sask.)

Through the kindness of friend J. C. Adair, of the Eaton Enterprise, I am currently reading *Aku-Aku*, Thor Heyerdahl's account of his archaeological explorations on Easter Island. Seems that, at one time, the native inhabitants of this tiny dot in the Pacific Ocean engaged in a civil war and half the population survived the hostilities by taking to caves deep down in the volcanic rock from which the island is formed.

Author Heyerdahl describes how, while exploring the caves, he was smitten with wonder that these ancient people should have forsaken the Pacific's bright sunshine and fresh breezes and adapted themselves to life in these dank, dark and dismal holes rather than make the effort of learning to get along with their neighbors. Further reflection brought sympathy for the primitive Easter Islanders as the author recalled that our own highly educated civilization is also beginning to go underground for the very same reason.

No doubt many folks are entertaining similar thoughts and wondering what we must do to achieve the same progress in our social relationships as we have made in the fields of science and mechanics. Despite our vast store of knowledge we seem to be very little in advance of the Easter Island cannibals of several hundred years ago. Why?

Men much more clever and far better informed than I, are puzzled by the same question and I doubt that it will be solved in the near future but I do think there are a few things we humble folk can do to bring the day nearer.

I think it would be a tremendous step in the right direction if we were all to resolve to treat each other more kindly in the new year. There is little hope of peace on the international scene when folk in a town like Kindersley regard each other with hatred and envy which they make little effort to conceal—let alone trying to overcome these corrosive feelings.

Let us resolve, in 1959, to look for the good in our neighbors, our business associates, the folk we work with in church and school and a dozen other organizations. Let us be hesitant to judge each other, remembering that none of us can ever know all the factors that contribute to another person's behaviour and that none of us sets a perfect example in his own behaviour.

We can't engineer world peace from a central office in Kindersley but we can throw our weight on the right side of the balance.

—RSR

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Multiplying deterrents

(The Christian Science Monitor)

Excitement over the Atlas has diverted attention from other recent steps in the American effort to develop weapons which would take the profit out of aggression. These have to do with progress in air-to-ground missiles. The Air Force now believes that within two years it will have effective 1,000-mile missiles that can be fired from bombers.

Such weapons might be valuable in supplementing land- or sea-based missiles. For a portion of the bomber fleet is kept constantly in the air and would presumably escape a surprise nuclear attack. Presumably, too, any would-be aggressor would think twice before risking retaliation from such a force. For defense against missiles launched anywhere in the air within 1,000 miles of their targets would be difficult.

We should prefer to see war prevented by positive peacemaking which removes the misunderstanding, hatred, fear, and greed which make for conflict. But at the present stage of human thinking it seems necessary to seek prevention by making attack unprofitable—even surprise attack. At Geneva the conference to explore means of barring surprise attack is reported on the point of failure. In that situation the improvement and diversification of deterrent weapons—although only a second-best way of preventing war—must be welcomed.

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Tribute to foster parents

(The Province, Innisfail, Alta.)

Number among our finest people the couples that take into their home by adoption, the abandoned infants or those left through accidents without parents. The kindness, consideration and thoughtfulness of the foster parents show the finest and most praise worthy side of human nature.

During the past year the number of adoptions in our community show an increase of more than double any other years, and the foster homes, it goes without saying, are among the best in the area.

The couples adopting unfortunate infants and youngsters are doing a service that each day of the year is far beyond the call of duty. They are undertaking a task of the first magnitude with a zest and wholehearted outlook that is beautiful to see.

Foster parents, records will reveal, do a job of parenthood that has no equal. They plan, work, and strive to give the adoptee all of the benefits and advantages they give their own flesh and blood.

The pride of foster parents in their charges is, in many cases, far beyond that of natural parents and their concern for the future is a greatness that assures success.

Highway planners face mammoth task

Do traffic jams give you a headache? Road congestion get you down? Find a long line of autos in front of you frustrating? Think you've got troubles?

Brother, you're lucky. All you have to worry about is the car right in front of you and the piece of road that your auto's four wheels are rolling on.

Now you take R. J. "Bob" Genereux, planning engineer for the Saskatchewan department of highways and transportation. There's a man with a real headache.

Bob described it this way in a recent interview: "We have to look ahead 20 years in grappling with traffic headaches. We not only work to solve the highway problems of today, but look ahead and plan to meet the problems of 1978."

It isn't easy. You can't solve this problem of future planning by putting on a turban and going into a Swami-trance in front of a crystal ball. "I only wish it could be that easy," sighs Bob.

Just the thought of looking ahead 20 years in these unsettled years of the atomic era is enough to leave many men weak in the knees. But hold it, there's more, a whole lot more.

For what makes the traffic and highways problem tough is the fact that every problem has so many facets, and every one of those facets presents a challenge, every one must be carefully weighed and considered before plans for a new road or highway can even go on paper.

"There is the economic factor to consider," explained Mr. Genereux. "For example, what use is being made of a certain road or highway at present, and what use will be made of it in future? How is traffic distributed on Saskatchewan highways?"

There's also the matter of vehicle classification. What kind of vehicles make up the traffic stream on each one of Saskatchewan's roads and highways? If the Planning Branch experts find that more heavy trucks are using a certain road or highway, then there will naturally be a change in the kind of road planned in that area in future.

Then there's the matter of population trends over the years. "We plan highways and roads, and highway and road improvements, with the need of the motoring citizen foremost in our minds," explained Mr. Genereux. "A growing centre needs the services only a good highway can offer. In our studies, we estimate the future growth of a centre, consider the type of vehicle going into that centre now, and plan accordingly."

Growing centres present another problem, particularly unique in these times of unprecedented expansion in almost all fields of endeavour—the problem of an increasing public demand for more and better roads and highways.

Bob Genereux and his fellow engineers in the Planning Branch are moving to meet that demand. Just how they are moving is emphasized by the following figures:

"Highway expenditures for the

year 1958 will total \$25,000,000.00.

"In the past 10 years Saskatchewan has quadrupled its highway construction expenditures.

"Our province now has more than 300,000 motor vehicles, which travel over two billion miles per year on our provincial highway system of 8,179 miles.

"Saskatchewan's provincial highway system is exceeded by only one other Canadian province.

"By the end of the fiscal year March 31, 1958, the Department of Highways and Transportation will have blocktopped or oil treated 22 percent of the system, or 1,812 miles to enable motorists to enjoy all-weather dust-free travel."

That's an impressive list. But the public demand is still there, seemingly insatiable. Bob takes a charitable view of that situation. He understands it. He flipped over the pages of a recent Department brochure and underlined the following statement with an emphatic forefinger:

"Today every person is interested in highways, because nearly everything we need for a comfortable existence is in some way related to highway travel. The remote farm and the largest business organization both depend on adequate highway transportation facilities. Most of our recreational activities involve highway travel."

Bob stressed the point that "people require good roads and highways and we try to plan for them at the smallest possible cost to the motorist who must pay for the new highway."

But Bob's ideas on highways run to a much wider scope than provision of good road facilities for Saskatchewan motorists. "Losses incurred by inadequate transportation facilities are much more far reaching than many people realize," he says. "Highway and traffic authorities both in Canada and the United States have spoken of that situation many times."

"On this I predicate my view that adequate transportation facilities don't cost money when the economic losses following from the lack of adequate transportation facilities are considered. Such losses can reach quite staggering proportions.

As only one example of economic losses, it is generally estimated that it costs 2.4 cents more per vehicle mile to operate a vehicle on a gravel road than on pavement.

Bob doesn't tackle this more than man-sized job of road and highway planning all by himself. He can depend on the help of many top-notch engineers and experts. He says proudly: "We have one of the best fact finding organizations in Canada when it comes to highway and road planning."

The fact finding team includes traffic engineers, who roam the province making traffic studies and volume census estimates. They study traffic distribution, type of vehicle and place of registration of vehicles, the make-up of highway and road traffic streams and other vehicle use studies. To help them the Planning Branch has installed many permanent automatic traffic counters, which automatically count the number of vehicles per hour going over certain roads. This data is supplemented by short counts taken visually or with portable automatic traffic counters.

It makes a heap of information. It takes time to gather that information, but every scrap of it is needed for the proper planning of roads and highways to provide the best service for the people of Saskatchewan.

To simplify the problem, Bob and his fellow engineers consider three main factors in road and highway planning: 1. Population trends, present and future; 2. Per capita ownership of motor vehicles; 3. The use made of motor vehicles.

But the problem of traffic, and highways to handle it, really can't be simplified at all because it keeps getting bigger and bigger all the time.

To illustrate, Bob quoted figures which tend to give highway engineers a bad case of the double-whammies: average use of our highways has increased two and a half times over the last 10 years; the individual motor vehicle is being used 1.3 times more often



COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT belonging to the RCAF's No. 137 Transport Flight based at Langar, England, is checked over by telecommunications technicians. Leading Aircraftman Dan Koob (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Koob of Meacham, Sask., inspects a high frequency transmitter while Leading Aircraftman Al Crandlemire (center), son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Crandlemire, Golden, B.C., and Sergeant Wayne Clements use an oscilloscope in trying to locate a snag in a radio compass. Sgt. Clement's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Clements, reside at Wadden's Cove, Cape Breton Island, N.S. A component of No. 30 Air Material Base, 137 Flight air lifts the material required for the support of 1 Air Division fighter bases in France and Germany as well as the Air Weapons Unit in Sardinia. —RCAF photo.

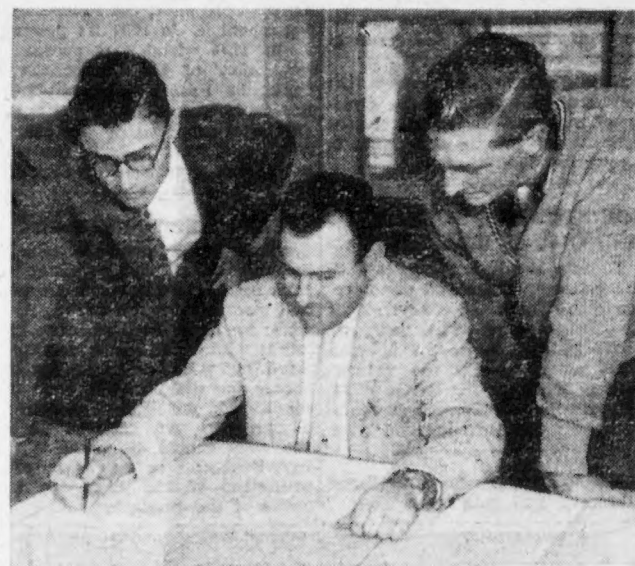
today than was the case 10 years ago. The traffic volume on our highways is expected to more than double in the next 20 years.

It all adds up to more people using more motor vehicles more often. Which for planning engineer Bob Genereux and his staff means existing highways and roads being more heavily used by more traffic, and better highways and roads needed to handle increased traffic loads of the future. And the need must be met if the provincial economy isn't, at some future date, to be strangled to death by inadequate highway facilities.

And the need will be met. Bob

Genereux and his staff are working on that right now. It's a big job, and there's a lot of worry and headache to it, but it'll be done.

Bob has the qualifications such a job demands. He's a civil engineering graduate of Saskatchewan University and holds a Master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Illinois. He's been with the highways department for seven and a half years, served posts as resident engineer with the bridge and construction branches, was assistant design engineer in the design branch from 1957 to 1958, and was named planning engineer last year.



STUDY MAP—Traffic Engineering Assistant Donald Powley, Senior Traffic Engineer W. A. McLaughlin and Traffic Engineer Don Neville, pictured right to left, above, study a map of Saskatchewan in the process of establishing control stations for traffic counts in various sections of the province. Traffic Counts on the province's roads and highways help provide information which aids in pinpointing facets of road and highway development. Traffic Engineers work closely with the Planning Engineer in the Planning Branch.



DRAUGHTSMAN MRS. PAT BROWN, pictured above, completes work on a median or channelization design for the planning Branch, Saskatchewan Department of Highways. The design is used by survey crews in the building of a new road or highway.

FROSTBITE

Frostbite is one of winter's common hazards and, like most ills that have been with us always, there are mistaken ideas on how to deal with it. The common practice is to rub it with snow, which is about the worst thing that can be done. The frozen spot should be treated as carefully as a burn. Neither heat nor cold should be applied. A piece of warmth-giving cloth can be placed on the bite or, if it is a hand or foot, it can be put into water of body-temperature but never taken close to hot stove or radiator. Massage is too harsh—if out of doors, a warm hand held against the spot may help.

Self-made men should be more careful in selecting the materials they use.

Chef's favorite PRINTED PATTERN



by Anne Adams

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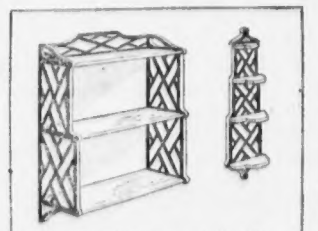
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PARTY FOR DOGS

Some parties should just never happen! One kind I would like to nominate for oblivion is the "dog party."

Before anybody's dog thinks me a spoil sport, I'd like to make it clear that I am a pet-lover of long standing. However, I know these parties are planned by humans and I just can't believe that "man's best friend" really enjoys wearing silly costumes and playing organized games.

A friend of mine who owns a socially acceptable German shepherd, escorted him to one of these parties recently. The dogs all came in costume, she informed me. Boxers were appropriately dressed for the fight ring; Scotties wore kilts and tam o' shanters; poodles wore dainty frills and one pair of "cute" Boston bulls were in sailor suits.

Winning costumes were those worn by a doggie couple dressed western style. The larger, a German short hair, was attired in a cardboard saddle and his Sheltie companion in a cowboy shirt and hat.

Games played included a relay race where the dogs ran up and down the hall carrying things in their mouths. Another popular game, I am told, was musical chairs. In this the dogs raced around the circle with their owners and jumped onto the chairs when the music stopped.

The affair was said to be hilariously gay. One dog got so excited he threw up and some of the others left puddles on the floor.

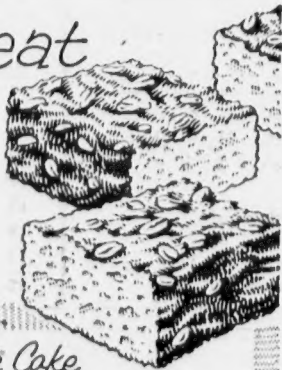
Prizes were doggie biscuits, candies and vanilla-flavored rubber bones. The dogs were fed special treats at the party and their owners, sandwiches and coffee.

My friend assured me the dogs had a wonderful time. If they did, I am sure it was because they were killing themselves laughing at the silly human beings.

The good judgment of some people will never wear out. They don't use it often enough.

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Honey Bun Coffee Cake

1. In an 8-inch square cake pan, melt 3 tablespoons butter or margarine.

Drizzle with 1/2 cup honey and sprinkle with 1/2 cup broken salted nuts.

2. Scald 1/2 cup milk. Remove from heat and stir in 1/4 cup honey, 3/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 cup shortening.

3. In the meantime, measure into a large bowl 1/2 cup lukewarm water, 1 teaspoon granulated sugar.

and stir until sugar is dissolved. Sprinkle with contents of 1 envelope Fleischmann's Active Dry Yeast.

Let stand 10 minutes, THEN stir well. Stir the lukewarm milk mixture and 1 well-beaten egg.

4. Spoon mixture into prepared cake pan. Cover. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk—about 1 1/4 hours. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375°, about 35 minutes. Turn out of pan immediately. Serve warm.

Sift dry ingredients into yeast mixture and stir until well blended—about 1 minute.

4. Spoon mixture into prepared cake pan. Cover. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk—about 1 1/4 hours. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375°, about 35 minutes. Turn out of pan immediately. Serve warm.

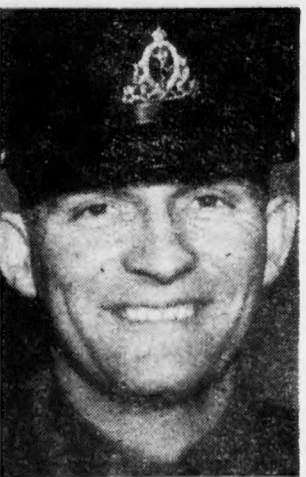


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Mrs. Nibbler's new nest

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Clasping her paws nervously, Mrs. Nibbler peeked out of the dark tunnel. Not a sound could she hear, so up she popped, to sit trembling on something soft like grass, but pink. She was on an important visit, this lady field mouse. Mr. Nibbler, who was a travelling mouse, had told her a little about houses, but she had never before ventured into one. He had told her that houses were always warm, and always there was a little something lying around for mice to dine on.

Mrs. Nibbler pittered a few steps and stopped—a soft blue thing was hanging above her. In no time at all, she had scampered up as though it were a ladder.

Squealing softly in delight, she felt the softness under her and began chattering to herself.

"Yes, yes, just the thing. Soft and warm for my babies—just a snip here and a snap there and—oh, yes, yes, this will be fine."

So saying she entered another dark tunnel, for she felt safer in the dark, and put her strong sharp teeth to work. Snibble went

likely have guessed by now that it was a human being. Did you ever stop to think that you, your mummy and daddy are all terrible monsters to mice and bugs?

If Mrs. Nibbler had understood the loud noises she would have had very hurt feelings indeed, for the big lady was yelling, "Gracious, Jim! While we were away a nasty mouse made a mess in the bed right between the pillows! Two mice were sitting right here bold as you please, and when I pulled the bedspread down they slid to the rug and down the register. Oh, my new pink sheets! Oh, oh, holes chewed in my new blue spread! Oh, oh, oh! The filthy things!"

But the mice were skidding down their tunnel, which was a cold furnace pipe, really, and racing for the broken cellar window. So they didn't hear. Which was just as well, since mice can be sad just as well as people.

Later, under a bush, Mrs. Nibbler cried three tiny tears for her pink cradle, while Mr. Nibbler just rested because he hated disturbances. Then they crept close to the stem and went to sleep again.

So, that was the sad story, which might have been a lot sadder, of how two field-mice learned to keep out of human bedrooms. Of course, now she had to work very hard to find another good spot, and build another wee bed. So next evening she set to, again. Up the rainpout she found a soft feathery place, and was just poking her sharp nose over the edge when Mrs. Swallow swooped in and drove her away, chattering indignantly about trespassers and thieves. Mrs. Nibbler was so insulted at being called a thief that she almost went back to pull a straw from the nest, but thought better of it.

Mr. Nibbler decided the chicken house should be a warm, safe place, so they looked it over. The old hens stirred and mumbled a bit, but they were too sleepy to be curious about the exploring pair. Mrs. Nibbler was just beginning to gather up an armful of hay and curly feathers when a big black rat slithered in and rudely inquired "What are you two shrimps doin' here? This is where we rats play. Scram, ya little pests."

Mr. Nibbler was already backing away, tripping over his tail, for he was a peaceful mouse who always said, "A mouse who is smart will run away, and live to see another day." Besides, he was just too fat to fight.

Mrs. Nibbler was afraid too, but there were sparks of anger in her dark eyes as she dropped her building materials. She turned to go but as the rat laughed roughly, she suddenly darted back and gave his tail a good nip with her

cat could see them more easily, Mattie."

Mrs. Nibbler cheerfully answered, "Yes, dear, you're right as always, and in the morning I'll get busy again." Then they huddled under the brown roof until the sun dried the grass. After chewing some breakfast seeds, Mr. Nibbler went travelling and Mrs. Nibbler began busting about.

The toadstool was at the far end of the garden where the humans didn't often go, so it was very peaceful. Mrs. Nibbler sang a lullaby as she plaited the



sweet-smelling grasses and leaves, entwined with a few fluffy feathers that Mr. Nibbler proudly brought home at dinner time. Mrs. Nibbler sang her new song for him and he nodded slowly, "I do believe that's the finest song you've ever sung, Mattie."

Are you curious about the kind of lullaby a mamma mouse would sing? I'll tell you part of it—it is very long, and I can't remember it all.

My wee pink mouskins
Sleep and rest, sleep and rest.

Don't go near the houskins,
But stay in the cosy home nest.

You may think it isn't much of a song, but Mrs. Nibbler hadn't made very many lullabies, and she considered it quite lovely. Anyway of course we all like our own mummies songs the best.

When Mr. Nibbler came home from his next business trip, his wife had a surprise for him. In the round bed were four teeny weeny wiggling pink things. Their eyes were shut and they were as bald as your grandad, for new little mice have no fur coats.

Mr. Nibbler looked at them proudly, very pleased because two of them were boys and looked just like him (Mrs. Nibbler had to hide her face in her paws and giggle a little when he said this, for how could such hairless babies with eyes shut, look like her handsome husband?), while the little girls were "just as pretty as you, Mattie. Now what's for supper?"

And to celebrate, he scurried to the berry patch and struggled back with a fat juicy strawberry. They happily shared this for dessert, telling each other how nice it was to have their nest full at last.



MR. NIBBLER

teeth, then disappeared through a crack before he got over his surprise.

Poor mouse-people. They were tired of searching and tired of being chased. And then it began to rain. Hard, hurting rain, that plastered their soft fur to their shivering bodies. Running blindly, Mr. Nibbler bumped into a toadstool and fell down. He lay there calling loudly (for a mouse) "Mattie! Come here, quick!" So she turned back, thinking he had hurt his head. But the reason for his excitement was that he'd found a place for their home.

When he fell he noticed that the rain wasn't dripping on him anymore, for the toadstool made a good roof, keeping a piece of mouse-sized earth dry and warm. Mrs. Nibbler gave a sigh, recalling her colored nest, but Mr. Nibbler scolded her, "Look at all the trouble we've been in because of that silly nest. This is the kind of spot that field mice were meant to live in—outside, and dull-colored so we can hide. Our children wouldn't thank you for a pretty nest if it meant that the

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REPORT FROM OTTAWA

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tions asked by the farmers of the Bow River Constituency as to what might happen to the Crowsnest Pass Rate which is a special freight rate written into the Railway Act as far back as 1897. On January 19th the Prime Minister clarified the situation and I quote:

"There is one thing I want to make clear at this time so that there will be no misunderstanding in this regard as to the action we are taking. As far as the Crowsnest Pass rates are concerned, from the time that I was a boy in Western Canada in 1903 and all through the years, those rates have been regarded as the Magna Carta of Western rights. Those rights shall not be interfered with to the detriment in any way of Western agriculture or Western people in general."

The Speech From The Throne contained the following words:

"My Ministers will recommend to you action to alleviate the discriminatory effects of the recent horizontal increase in freight rates."

It would seem that both these statements clarify the future

position of the farmers of Western Canada as far as freight rates are concerned.

Once again, if any of you have any ideas in reference to this situation, I would appreciate hearing from you by letter.

ACME

A meeting important to members of the Avondale 4-H Club and the Acme Feeders Association will be held in the Carbon School Auditorium Monday Feb. 9th at 8 p.m. when Mr. H. J. Hargrave of the Experimental Farm at Lethbridge will bring a number of slides and discuss the various aspects of livestock feeding and finishing. All interested are invited to attend.

Prairie Rose Rebekah Lodge will hold their annual International Supper in the Lodge Room of the Acme Memorial Hall Wednesday evening Feb. 25th. Everybody welcome. Please keep this date open.

Acme Chapter O.E.S. No. 83 will sponsor a Mothers' Day Tea along with a number of other attractions in the Lodge Room of the Acme Memorial

Hall on Saturday May 9th. Please watch for posters.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Bart Boake, a 7 lb. son in the Three Hills Hospital Feb. 5th. Congratulations.

Jake Hildebrand was a patient in Trochu Hospital recently when he had all his teeth extracted.

John Mathewson is convalescing at the home of his sister in Calgary after spending ten days in Trochu Hospital.

The Active Sewing Circle was held Feb. 5th at the home of Mrs. Art Taylor with eight members and one visitor, who became a member, present. A quilt had been started and has been half completed. A tasty

lunch was served by our hostess, Mrs. Witwer won the white elephant. The next meeting is to be held March 5th at the home of Mrs. Pat Rosenke. The hostesses will be Mrs. Rosenke and Mrs. Jean Brown. All members and those wishing to join please come.

The next meeting of the Grace Guild will be held Thurs. Feb. 19th at the home of Mrs. Ray Davis. Mrs. Edith Hay and Mrs. Evelyn Gibson will serve. Mrs. Sylvia Rogers has the program.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rogers are holiday visitors with relatives in Florida.

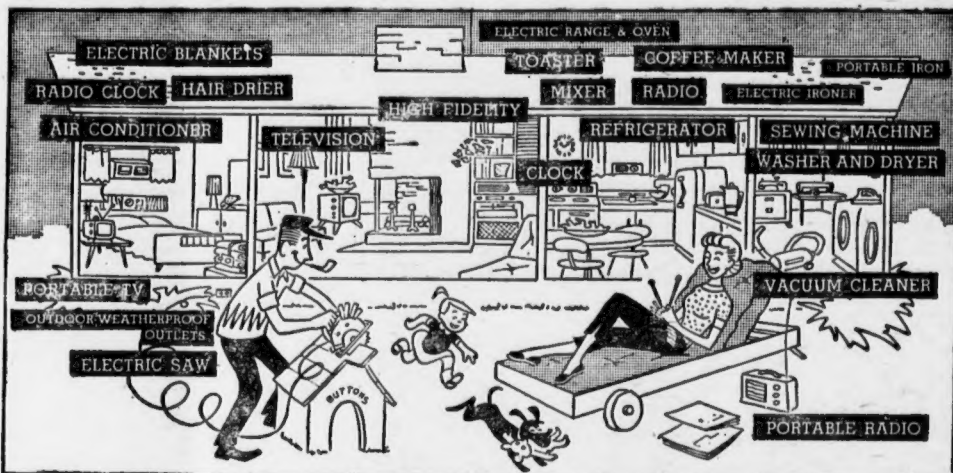
There will be a public meeting of the Acme Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture on

Tuesday Feb. 10th at 8 p.m. in the lodge room of the Acme Memorial Hall.

The business agenda will include the installation of the new officers for 1959 who have all been nominated and the finalizing of plans for a "Farmers Accounting School" to be held in Acme Memorial Hall on Feb. 17-18-19, 1959 at 2 p.m. Ladies as well as men will be welcome.

Let's build up our community by attending and backing a community organization which gains according to the support it receives.

The Grace Guild will hold a Home Cooking Sale at Collinge Store on Sat. Feb. 14 between 2:30 and 5 p.m. Proceeds will be donated to the United Church Plumbing Fund.



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